

January 11, 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. BUNDT

SUBJECT: Cuba -- Presidential Approval of State Memorandum

Attached is a memorandum entitled "Possible Further Action re Cuban Problem in the OAS." The memorandum, from Mr. Martin to Secretary Rusk, requests approval to initiate consultation with OAS countries regarding the desirability of passing two OAS resolutions against Cuba (e. g. shipping restrictions; denial of overflight and landing rights to certain Soviet aircraft). These resolutions "represent the probable maximum feasible action by the OAS... and the reversion of the Cuban problem to the OAS context."

Mr. Cottrell tells me that Secretary Rusk left this memorandum with the President when he visited the President on the weekend of January 5-6 and Mr. Cottrell wonders what the President's reaction was. Mr. Cottrell is anxious to move ahead quickly with the consultations.

As you will note, the memorandum, which Mrs. Lincoln recently sent to our office, has no Presidential notations on it. Does this mean that the President has no objections to the memorandum?

Gordon Chase